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I ran across this clipping today while sorting through the thousands of papers and notes I've inherited from my Gramma Dear. It's an obituary for **Bertha E. Lawson**, dated 1980 — probably saved by Gramma Dear, who seemed to keep every local notice and memory from those years. Understandable if Bertha was a close friend from long ago.

If you read down toward the bottom, you'll see mention of the **Oak Park Social Club**, which caught my attention. I have several old photos of women gathered at what look like these social club meetings from the 1940s and '50s, though many of the faces are still unidentified.

I'm hoping someone might be able to help me find a photograph of **Bertha Lawson** from around that time — or recognize any of the women in those social club images. It's a long shot, but there are a lot of family names in this article, and it's possible someone still has photos or connections tucked away.